



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q58481

Yoshiki TAKASHIMA, et al.

Allowed: February 19, 2004

Appln. No.: 09/537,416

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 6832

Examiner: Irene Marx

Filed: March 29, 2000

For: METHODS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE AMINO ACIDS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on
February 12, 2004:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was attached with the Notice of
Allowance dated February 19, 2004.

The interview was initiated by the Examiner. Therefore, no further recordation by the
Applicant is believed to be required.

During the interview, the following was discussed: Proposed Examiner's Amendment to
place the application in condition for allowance.

1. Identification of claims discussed: Claims 10, 16, 19, 21 and 22.

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2. Identification of principal proposed amendments: Claim 10, line 9, add "an" before "aminotransferase," Claim 16, line 9, delete "amino acid transferase" and replace with "aminotransferase," and Claims 19, 21 and 22, delete reference to Claims 17 and 18.

3. Results of Interview: Proposed Examiner's Amendments accepted.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

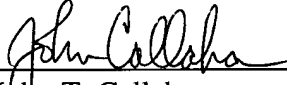
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